

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS  
TITLE 13 ARTICLE 2  
DRIVER LICENSES AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

**SECTION 15.07 Reduced Fee Identification Cards.**

SB 1098, Chapter 212, makes effective immediately amendments to Vehicle Code Section 14902, governing the issuance of a reduced fee identification card for persons who qualify.

Vehicle Code Section 14902 provides for a \$6 fee for an original or replacement identification card issued to persons who have been determined to have a current income level that meets the eligibility requirements for certain public assistance programs. The determination of eligibility shall be made by governmental or non-profit entities, pursuant to Welfare and Institution Codes specified in the statute.

The department proposes to adopt Section 15.07 in the California Code of Regulations to require applicants for an original or replacement reduced fee identification card to submit a form signed by a representative of a governmental or non-profit entity, attesting to the applicant's qualifying income status. The signature of a governmental or non-profit entity representative would certify that the applicant's current income status meets the income eligibility requirements of the Welfare and Institutions Codes under Chapter 2, commencing with Section 11200 (funding for Social Services); or Chapter 3, commencing with Section 12000 (the Burton-Moscone-Bagley New Citizen Income Security Act for Aged, Blind and Disabled California) and Section 17000 (which provides for support and aid by every city and county of incompetent, poor, or indigent persons, and those incapacitated by age, disease, or accident); or Article 9, commencing with Section 18900 (Food Stamp Program); or Chapter 10.1, commencing with 18993 (Food Stamp Program under CalWORKs); or Chapter 10.3, commencing with Section 18937 (Supplemental Social Security Income and State Supplementary Program).

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The purpose of Section 15.07 is to (1) specify the requirements necessary to obtain the reduced fee identification card; and (2) identify the form that an applicant must submit with an application for a California Identification Card in order to obtain a reduced fee identification card.

Proposed subsection (a) establishes that an applicant for a reduced fee Department of Motor Vehicles identification card shall submit a completed Verification of Reduced Fee Identification Card form, form DL 937 (NEW 8/2004). The form shall be completed and signed under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California by a representative of a governmental or non-profit entity pursuant to requirements of Vehicle Code Section 14902. The proposed subsection incorporates the form, Verification of Reduced Fee Identification Card, form DL 937 (NEW 8/2004), by reference. The form serves as certification by the governmental or non-profit entity that the applicant's income qualifies the applicant for certain public assistance programs under the Welfare and Institution Code as required by Vehicle Code Section 14902. The form is necessary

to establish the applicant's income status. The signature under penalty of perjury is necessary to ensure the signature validity.

Subsection (a)(1) requires the certification of eligibility in the Verification of Reduced Fee Identification Card form to be dated within 60 days of the application for the reduced fee identification card. This is necessary to ensure the applicant's income eligibility is current.